Moderators and Introductions

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About AAPCHO

AAPCHO is dedicated to promoting **advocacy**, **collaboration**, and **leadership** that improves the health status and access of Asian Americans (AAs), Native Hawaiians (NHs), and Pacific Islanders (PIs) within the United States, the U.S. territories, and the Freely Associated States.
About PI-CoPCE

The Pacific Islander Center of Primary Care Excellence (PI-CoPCE) was established to improve the health of Pacific Islanders (PIs) in the United States and U.S. Pacific through primary care support, research, workforce development, and community initiatives.

PI-CoPCE is unique in such a way that the Center focuses on all Pacific Islanders in the United States, Hawaii, and the U.S. Pacific; is focused only on primary care services; and collaborates not only with community health centers (CHCs) but also with community-based organizations (CBOs).
Overview of CHERN
Background – The Why

- Cultural, Linguistic, Regional, Geographic
- Social Determinants of Health
- Historical and Contemporary Access to Resources

COVID & Other Infectious Diseases Impact on A/AA and NH/PI communities

CHERN

- Primary Care Response Network
- Proactively Engage, Inform, and Train the Healthcare Workforce
CHERN Services

Training and Technical Assistance

Culturally Responsive Communication

Interdisciplinary Coordination of Health Centers and Affiliated Partners, the Primary Care Organization Workforce, and Infectious Disease Subject Matter Experts
Dr. Chia Wang

Chia Wang, MD, MS is the Infectious Disease Consultant for the COVID-19 & Other Infectious Diseases Health Equity Response Network (CHERN).

Dr. Wang is an Infectious Diseases Specialist at International Community Health Services and Virginia Mason Medical Center. Additionally, Dr. Wang is a Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at the University of Washington.

Her outpatient clinical interests include hepatitis B and C, HIV/AIDS care, and travel health.
## CHERN Local Partners

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COVID-19 Roundtables

14 Monthly Roundtables with AA, NH, and PI serving health organizations starting January 2021

81 staff participants including Chief Medical Officers, Clinical Directors, Physicians, Nurses, Community Health Workers

30 Community Health Centers, Community Based Organizations, and Ministries of Health
COVID-19 Roundtables Themes

- Training and Technical Assistance Highlights
  - COVID-19 Vaccination (Eligibility, Accessibility Needs, Linguistically and Culturally appropriate information and resources)
  - COVID-19 Clinical Care (Therapeutics, Variants, Testing, Long COVID, and Whole Person Care)
- Language access and culturally relevant materials
- Physical and emotional strain on CHC and CBO staff especially those providing direct outreach to increase vaccinations
- COVID fatigue has also impacted community members
- Challenges to COVID-19 related clinical care
Training & Technical Assistance Plans

- Updated COVID-19 Vaccine Information
- COVID-19 Treatment
- Addressing Long COVID
- Clinical Consultation Portal
Thank you!
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